

**EDGE TOUCHPAD INPUT DEVICE**

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**Abstract of the Disclosure**

A touchpad input device is provided that is disposed about at least a portion of at least one outside edge of an electronic device housing. The present invention also provides electronic devices comprising the present touchpad input device. Furthermore, the present invention provides a method of sensing user input about an outside edge of an electronic device housing, wherein the user input is detected by a user input detector that relays a signal to a control circuit to be acted upon appropriately.

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